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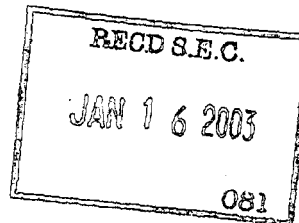
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Mr. Brian Johnson
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

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The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, THE MILLS CORPORATION, 9% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, Par Value \$.01 Per Share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on January 15, 2003. Tentative listing date - January 17, 2003.

Sincerely,

Paras Madho